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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: SATURN AIRWAYS FLIGHT

1. DEPARTMENT INFORMED BY SATURN AIRWAYS OF CHARTER FLIGHT
ARRIVING PORT GENTIL MAY 10 0630 RPT 0630 WITH TWO
OKANAGAN HELICOPTERS DESTINED FOR SHELL OIL WITHOUT RPT
WITHOUT LANDING CLEARANCE.

2. SATURN STATES COMPANY SENT TELEX TO EMBASSY LAST WEEK
REQUESTING LANDING PERMISSION, BUT AS OF DATE COMPANY HAS
NOT RECEIVED REPLY AND UNAWARE WHETHER GOG INFORMED OF FLI-
GHT ARRIVAL AND HAS GRANTED PERMISSION FOR LANDING.
SATURN ALSO CONCERNED RE POSSIBLE LONG DELAY IN DEPARTURE
GABON DUE TO HOLIDAY WEEK-END. EMBASSY REQUESTED TO MAKE
CONTACT ON AN URGENT BASIS WITH CIVIL AIR AUTHORITIES.

3. SATURN FLIGHT DEPARTED US AS SCHEDULED BECAUSE FAILURE
TO ARRIVE MAY 10 AUTOMATICALLY CANCELS CHARTERER'S CONTRACT
WITH SHELL.

4. AIRCRAFT WILL ARRIVE MADRID MAY 9 AT 1840 FOR ONE HOUR
STOP-OVER. EMBASSY MAY WISH INFORM MADRID ALSO OF RESULTS
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